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## EDWIN L. BEARD

Confederate's First Glimpse of Culpeper Was During Battle of Cedar Mountain.

A Confederate veteran who bore a conspicuous part in the War Between the States, enlisting in the ranks of the Confederacy before he was twenty years old, is Edwin Luther Beard, who was born in Pocahontas county, West Virginia, and not far from the present time—a part of West Virginia, on Christmas Eve of 1842. With three older brothers already in the service of their country it was but natural that his father would oppose the enlisting of this younger son, a delicate school boy, but with a patriotism which recognized no obstacles he persisted in his determination to enlist and help fight Virginia's battles, and became a member of the Bath County Cavalry, under Captain A. J. Ware, in the spring of 1862. The first fight in which his command took part after he became a member of this company near Winchester, in the Valley of Virginia. He was also in the Battle of Cedar Mountain, in Culpeper, which was his first glimpse of a county which many years afterwards—he was to call his home. He remembers very vividly that other most important engagement in Culpeper county, the Battle of Brandy Station, on June 9th, 1863, and in reminiscing over it said that he and Captain Ware were the first two men to jump the ditch by General Stuart's headquarters—the old Freeman House—in the charge made against the enemy, which had crossed the river at Kelly's Ford and came in behind them, flanking the pickets and were in line of battle with three pieces of artillery almost before the Confederates realized the situation. In speaking of them and of the fierce conflicts which followed all day as the charges and counter charges of the opposing forces were made across the plains of Flowood, he says that the Southern Cavalry finally ran them back through the village—a very small village indeed, in those war time days—and they retreated towards the river. This, as was stated above, was on the 9th of June, the day following the great cavalry review at "Auburn" near what is now the station of Inlet, to start on his Gettysburg campaign, when General Robert E. Lee, about reviewed the entire cavalry force of his army under General J. E. B. Stuart. In speaking of various engagements in which he took part with his command, he spoke especially of the fighting at Cedar Mountain, saying that although this was not a fight of such magnitude it was one of the bloodiest hand-to-hand conflicts in all his experience, and recalled that several men in his company were man-gled in a frightful manner in this fighting. Another fight of which he details a

most distinct recollection was the fighting at "Harpers Ferry" just prior to the battle of Sharpsburg, when the enemy was routed and scattered. His command was not at the Battle of Gettysburg, as General Stuart's Division had been left to guard Thoroughfare Gap in the Blue Ridge for some time after the main army under General Lee had moved northward, but as far as Hagerstown, Md., and was in an engagement there. In the Battle of Chancellorsville, where thirty-six men in his company were killed, his brigade won the title of the "Laurel Brigade" from the gallant action of the men composing it, and during the remainder of the war wore a laurel leaf on the collar of their coats. In speaking of this battle and of others immediately following it, he made special tribute to the bravery of General Thomas L. Rosser, who was connected with that splendid body of fighting men, the "Louisiana Tigers," and added that following the war General Rosser served for some years as postmaster in Charlottesville. One of the most thrilling experiences of his whole three years was his participation in the raid made by General Stuart when twenty-five hundred horses were captured from the enemy near Cedar Point, and brought back to the Confederate lines, and the only time he had tangible proof of the fact that he narrowly escaped death was in this raid, two bullet holes being made in the collar of his uniform, just back of his neck. He was never captured and never wounded, although he had two horses shot under him and two others badly wounded. Another thing which he made special mention was that when he went from school to join the army he was a delicate boy and that the life in the army, when he often slept on the ground with his head on his saddle for a pillow, and suffered all of the privations which were common to the lot of the Confederate soldier, seemed to make him stronger and that he came out of the army with much better health than when he went in. He was in many skirmishes, on the retreat of the army from Petersburg in the spring of 1865, and was at the surrender at Appomattox.

Returning to his home in Pocahontas county, now West Virginia, he engaged in farming in his native county. On September the 15th, 1867, he was married to Miss Modie R. Hevener, of Randolph county, and four children, Forrest, Lee, Emmett, Havener, Ella Wallace and George Plummer, were born of this union. Of these Forrest, Lee and Ella Wallace are dead. Emmett lives at Kennel Square, Pa., and George Plummer is a prosperous merchant at Culpeper. From 1863 to 1901 the subject of this sketch was engaged in the mercantile business in Hillsboro, West Virginia, and selling this business he came to Culpeper county with his family on the 9th of April, 1908, purchasing the Eastern View farm near

## THANKSGIVING

"Thank God for a refreshing breeze; For verdant and for fruitful trees; Thank Him for senses that can seize Sounds, scenes and odors that can please. Thank God, Thank God. Thank God He loved the human race; And sent His Son with truth and grace; Who now in Heaven prepares a place For all who long to see His face. Thank God, Thank God." —Peter H. Van Wagon

## A Tribute To Mrs. R. C. May.

"Blessed are they that love his appearing." Mrs. R. C. May, the efficient and beloved president of the Marlinton Union was translated from this life more abundant Sunday afternoon, October 14, 1928. She had been sick only a few days so her going home came as a great shock to the entire community. She had been re-elected president of the Union for the fifth year and it may be said of her she was ever found faithful. The love and esteem in which she was held by the membership was shown by the many floral offerings and the large number who attended the funeral in a body. She has passed from sight, but the influence of her unselfish life shall continue to live in the lives of all those with whom she came in touch. Some one said of her, "I can't understand why such a good woman should be taken away." But God knows best and we believe her life's work may be summarized in one of her favorite scripture texts, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Death does not end our friendship. We all are debtors to the dead; There, wait on every thing we do. To them we hold that we are bound by double pledges to be true. Who once has had a friend has found The link that mends and mends divine." (Edgar A. Guest) Mrs. S. R. Neel

Culpeper from the late Professor Alexander. His wife died on the 15th of September, 1909, and he afterwards sold his farm, dividing his estate, as he now divides his time, between his two remaining children. He is a consistent and faithful member of the Presbyterian church and a staunch Democrat.—Culpeper, Virginia News.

Report of Boggs' Run school for second month. L. A. Shields, teacher. Perfect—Robert and Carl Kellison. Faithful—James, Rex, Ray and Opal Grace Clutter, Madeline and Elbert Holmes, Dennis Ellis, Eula and Hallie Boggs, Hallie and Texas Boyce

## Curry Family Reunion

Mossyrock, Washington, N.Y. The Curry family held a reunion at the Grange hall last Sunday with about forty members of the family present. A beautiful dinner was served at noon and the afternoon was spent in visiting. An amateur boxing match caused much excitement and the children enjoyed several lively games. Guests of honor on this occasion were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Guinn of Kansas City, Kansas. Mrs. Guinn was formerly a Curry and this was her first visit with her family in eight years. Those present at the reunion were: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Guinn of Kansas City, Kansas; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Addams and sons, Seth, Steel, and Howard Addams of Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. Dentey Curry and Newman, Lay, Loraine and Irene Curry of Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. Meade Middleton and son Julian, of Chehalis; Mrs. Mary Curry of Chehalis; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Pameron of Mossyrock; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Williamson and sons, Wendell, Vernie, and Ewell of Chehalis; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Medley of Chehalis; Mr. and Mrs. George Curry and family, Raymond, Warren, Margie, Elma and Fay, of Mossyrock.

## WEDDING SUPPER

A beautiful wedding supper was enjoyed by a host of friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Galford on Slaty Fork, when their daughter Charlie and Mr. Brooks Sharp returned from their wedding trip. The bride was attired in a beautiful blue satin dress with accessories to match. The groom wore a dark blue suit. Music was furnished by Hoxie McClung who played the violin, Roy Ryder the banjo, Mrs. Lloyd Sharp, the mandolin. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Hannah, W. and Mrs. Hoxie McClung, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Higgins, Mrs. Lloyd Sharp, Miss Grace Shearer, Goldie Gage Hannah, Ruth Gibson Marie and Georgia Varner, Dora Gilmore, Eva, Lucille, Edna and Clara Hannah, Adna and Margaret Mace, Pearl Lange, Mrs. Davis Mace, Messrs. Richard and Archie Gibson, Dock Varner, Frank Hannah, John Tomblin, Clarence Tyson, Joe and Stanley Zurek, Raymond Mace, Roy Ryder, Arlie and Page Hannah, Luther Gibson, Corner Showalter, Porter Hamrick.

## Route Road Open

The State Road Commission announces that the proposed projects on the highway between Union and Rockwell has been completed by state forces and the thoroughfare is open to traffic. On state route 24 the grading between Renick and Bendicks Valley has been completed, but the road is somewhat rough.

"When upon life's billows you are tempest-tossed, Do not be discouraged, thinking all is lost. Count your many blessings; name them one by one, And it will surprise you what the Lord has done. Are you burdened heavy with a load of care? Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear? Count your many blessings, every doubt will fly, And you will be singing as the days go by."

Miss Glenn Smith, of Valley Center, returned to her home after spending seven weeks with relatives in Clinton, Illinois, and Chicago. She was accompanied home by Zeph Hitts of Clinton, Ill.

## NOTICE

### To Tax Payers

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Sheriff of Pocahontas county will attend in person or by deputy at the following times and places for the purpose of collecting taxes.

EDRAY DISTRICT	
Stony Bottom	Nov 16, until 2 p. m.
Chaver Lick	Nov 17, from 2 p. m.
Onoto	Nov 18, until 2 p. m.
Mace	Nov 12 in morning
Brady	Nov 12 in afternoon
Litwood	Nov 13 until 1 p. m.
Slatyfork Com	Nov 13 afternoon and night
Edray	Nov 14
Buckeye	Nov 15
Marlinton	Nov 21, 22, 23
HUNTERSVILLE DISTRICT	
Mimelaha Springs	Nov 20, morning
Frost	Nov 21
Huntersville	Nov 22
LITTLE LEVELS DISTRICT	
Broop mt, Wallace Kershner	Nov. 7
Deard	Nov 8
Seibert	Nov 9
Millpoint	Nov 14
Hillsboro	Nov 16
Labella	Nov 12
Jaost	Nov 13

With the exception of dates listed above, books will be found at the following places: Greenbank—J. C. Wooddell's, Green bank; Edray—In Office, Marlinton; Huntersville—W. H. Barlow's, Huntersville; Little Levels—T. A. Bruffey's, Hillsboro. A discount of 2 1-2 per cent will be made to all persons who pay their taxes on or before the 20th day of November, 1928. Interest at the rate of 10 per cent will be added there to from the first day of January, 1929, until payment. W. H. Barlow, S. F. C.

## Huntersville District Institute

The Huntersville District Institute was held at Mimelaha Springs Saturday November 17. Most of the teachers of the district were present, and took an active part in the program. Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Hinton and some special music was given by Mrs. Wilson's pupils which was enjoyed by all present. Miss McEwene's demonstration in teaching beginners was well worth while. Mrs. Wilson gave a demonstration in teaching history, and Mr. Flynn one in spelling which was exceptionally good. Mr. Miller, county agent, discussed H. H. Club work and took an active part in the discussion of the teachers' problems. The Fair exhibit was stressed by Mrs. Wilson and the importance of the teacher having better material to exhibit and there should be a greater interest taken in this work as it is rather an advertising of what teacher and pupils are doing along educational lines, also that work exhibited, should be done during school term. Mr. Riggleson, who is in charge of Country Life Conference, gave an interesting talk on community activities.

The subject of more Standard Schools and how the necessary equipment can be acquired, was well discussed and Mrs. Sharp brought out the fact that teachers should work for the Standardization of their schools in general, and that it helps to raise the standard of the community and that through cooperation of patrons, much of the necessary equipment can be secured without getting it direct from the Boards. Much emphasis was placed on Reading Circle work by Miss Hill. Through this she said young folks were taught the value and appreciation of good reading material, and each teacher should make a special effort to put this across. In connection with this work, Mr. Flynn has started a circulating library of which will prove much benefit to the teachers.

Miss Laelle White talked on the subject of compulsory attendance, and expressed her belief that the weekly blanks to the Truant officers had been a success and in general there were better attendance over the district. This subject was also discussed by other teachers. Three minute talks were given on the following subjects: The Value of Current Events—Miss Leta McLaughlin; Note Books and their value—W. A. Hively; Nature Study—Miss Kathleen Taylor; Health—Miss Charlie Beverage. All of these teachers gave to the Institute worth while talks, and many new ideas for the teachers to try out in their school work. Mr. Flynn gave the teachers some splendid suggestion that should prove valuable in their problems. He also stressed the fact that the teaching profession is growing, and that the teachers must be on the alert or else seek other jobs.

A nice picnic lunch was served at noon. Everybody enjoyed it immensely. Mrs. Grace Moore Sharp, Sec.

To Nannie Blair: You will take notice that R. C. Miller, the purchaser of the following Real Estate, viz: Lot No. 11, in Block I, located in the town or village of Bartow, in the Green Bank District, Pocahontas county, West Virginia, which was sold by the Sheriff of Pocahontas county, at the sale for delinquent taxes made on the 6th day of December, 1926, and a deed has been required as provided by law, which deed will be made to the said R. C. Miller on or after the 21st day of December, 1928, unless you against that day redeem the said real estate from the said sale. The amount necessary to redeem is as follows: Amount paid the said Sheriff at said sale \$5.92 Amount paid on the property since said sale Amount paid for notice and service thereof 1.42 Interest 1.54 Total 8.88 Given under my hand this 27th day of October, 1928. S. L. Brown, Clerk of County Court of Pocahontas County, West Virginia

To H. D. Thompson: You will take notice that R. C. Miller, the purchaser of the following Real Estate, viz: 37 acres located on Salsberry Run, in the Green Bank District, Pocahontas county, West Virginia, which was sold by W. H. Barlow, Sheriff of Pocahontas county at the sale for delinquent taxes made on the 6th day of December, 1926, and a deed has been required as provided by law, which deed will be made to the said R. C. Miller on or after the 21st day of December, 1928, unless you against that day redeem the said real estate from the said sale. The amount necessary to redeem is as follows: Amount paid the Sheriff at said sale \$14.20 Amount of taxes paid on the property since said sale 18.04 Amount paid Surveyor for survey and report 5.00 Amount paid for notice and service thereof 8.50 Interest 7.91 Total 43.65 Given under my hand this 27th day of October, 1928. S. L. Brown, Clerk County Court of Pocahontas county, West Va.

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## Colored By Habit

The health, happiness and efficiency of the adult man and woman depend, to a very large extent, upon the habits acquired during early life, is the opinion expressed by Dr. D. A. Thom, of Boston, an authority on child management, in a leading article in a recent issue of the W. Va. Health department Quarterly Bulletin. Because of the fact that habits color the future life of the individual, Dr. Thom stresses the importance of starting children right from early infancy. Habit, as defined by Dr. Thom, "is the tendency to repeat what has been done before." Healthful living becomes automatic if the rules of health are instilled into the child from the first. Proper attitude toward sex, the regard for the property of others, honesty and sincerity are the result of learning in early life. Even our prejudices are the outcome of habits of thinking formed in childhood. Tendencies toward certain lines of thought and action are the outgrowth of training plus experience and are not inherited. The first method for training a child in proper attitude is by suggestion, according to this authority. Every child is an imitator, following the lead of those around him. He is a copybook of his associates, first his parents, then his playmates, or his teacher and then his heroes, be they Sunday school teachers or prize fighters. This is a natural development, for habits are acquired early in life by suggestion.

"Some parents play upon a child's natural sympathy for others until it becomes like a worn out elastic band which has been stretched until it is useless," says Dr. Thom. "Don't make a noise, mother's head aches," may make a child sorry at first, but if it interferes with every bit of happy play, he soon learns to be hard hearted about it. Real sympathy for others may be developed by training, thus forming the basis for a habit of kindness and understanding which will last throughout life. Children are very plastic and yield readily to the direction of parents and teachers, but they should not be forced into certain molds. "Rather," says Dr. Thom, "they should be won by approbation and understanding into doing the desirable things. They should be treated with as much courtesy as an adult and their little plans and projects given consideration and not brushed aside as merely childish whims."

To aid parents in this very important matter of character and habit formation, the State Health Department has secured from the Federal Government a limited supply of pamphlets by Dr. Thom on Child Management, as well as some pamphlets on sex education by well authorities. These can be secured from the Bureau of Public Health Education, State Health Department, at Charleston, W. Va.

Keep your eye on the Sharp brothers of Pocahontas county. They have presidential timber in them.—W. Va. News

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## Gopher Oats

During the past week representatives of the West Virginia Crop Improvement Association have completed the field inspection of fields of Gopher oats being grown for seed certification. In all eleven fields in three counties were inspected. The men making the inspections report that the crop looks especially promising this year and that indications are that there will be a considerable amount of certified seed oats for distribution next spring. It will be necessary to make another inspection however, of the threshed grain before the seed is finally passed as certified. The Gopher variety of oats was first distributed by the Agronomy Department of the Experiment Station in 1925. It is an early maturing oat that yields well under West Virginia conditions. This variety has a short, stiff straw that resists lodging to a much greater extent than ordinary varieties of oats. On many farms the ability of this oat to stand up where ordinary oats lodges badly, is making it a strong favorite.—T. E. Odland in Farm Bureau News.

Jim Hayes, who contracted typhoid fever while in jail at Marlinton awaiting second trial for complicity in the murder of Spoden Crane, and was brought to the Greenbrier Valley hospital here for treatment several weeks ago, is now on the road to recovery.—W. Va. News.

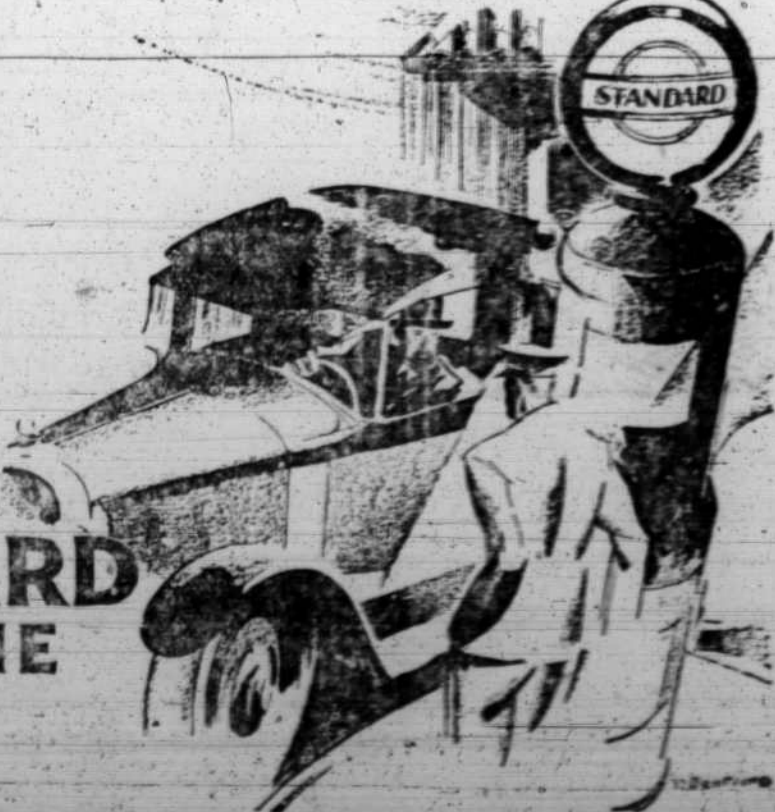
"Oh, give thanks unto the Lord; for He is good; His mercy endureth for ever." —King David

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